

**Honorable City Planning Commission
Cincinnati, Ohio**

October 7, 2005

SUBJECT: A report and recommendation on the lease of a portion of Doerr Alley in Over-the-Rhine to Tender Mercies, Inc.

BACKGROUND:

Doerr Alley is located between Vine and Race Streets in Over-the-Rhine and connects Central Parkway and Twelfth Street. In order to prevent various illegal activities that have been taking place there, Tender Mercies, Inc. is requesting to lease approximately 700 feet of the alley south of Twelfth Street for a period of five years (Exhibit A). Tender Mercies, Inc. is a non-profit organization that provides housing and support services to the homeless and owns the adjacent property to the east of the Alley. The property is not needed for any municipal purpose. The rental rate in the lease is \$120.00 per year which is the fair market lease rate determined by Real Estate Services.

The zoning of the Alley and surrounding area is DD-C (Downtown Support District) that promotes office, commercial, residential, public and semi-public uses.

RECOMMENDATION:

Department of Community Development and Planning staff recommends that City Planning Commission take the following action:

APPROVE the lease of a portion of Doerr Alley in Over-the-Rhine to Tender Mercies, Inc.

APPROVED:

Respectfully submitted,

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